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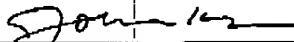
The Office Action of May 20, 2003 stated that the above captioned was subjected to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121. The Office Action required restriction between Group I which includes Claims 1- 19 and 31 and Group II which includes Claims 20 – 30.

The applicant elects, without traverse, to pursue examination of Group I and has withdrawn Claims 20-30 from this application. We respectfully reserve the right to reinsert these claims in a divisional application.

The applicant has also added additional Claims 32 – 38 for consideration. These claims are drawn to the elected group, and no new matter has been inserted in the new claims.

Respectfully submitted,
Tennant Company, by its attorneys

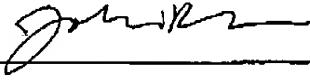
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